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Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis and Administration

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Re: STB Finance Docket No. 34658, The Alaska Railroad Corporation – Petition for

Exemption to Construct and Operate a Rail Line Between Eielson Air Force Base

(North Pole, Alaska) and Fort Greely (Delta Junction)

Dear Ms. Floyd:

Thank you for your letter to me dated July 22, 2005 conveying the GIS Data Catalog information relevant for the above-captioned rail line construction. Consistent with 40 CFR 1506.5(a), we have reviewed the information provided and would like to request the information in electronic form (a DVD or CD ROM). Please send the material to the Section of Environmental Analysis' (SEA) independent third part contractor who is assisting SEA in the environmental review for this case: Alan Summerville, ICF Consulting, 9300 Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA 22031-1207. Please feel free to contact me or Dave Navecky of my staff at (202) 565-1593 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Victoria Rutson

Chief

Section of Environmental Analysis